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Supervisors Approve Applications to Fund Reading Programs for Children

On Tuesday the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved an application for the San Bernardino County First 5 Commission for \$10,000 in grant funding to finance the "Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library" program in the Highland branch library.

"I urge the First 5 Commission to approve the grant request," said Third District Supervisor Dennis Hansberger. "I can't even begin to describe how crucial it is for us to teach our children how to read successfully. Almost everything we do in life involves reading, and this program helps guarantee our children will be successful in academics."

The funds received will be used to purchase Early Literacy Stations (computers), children's books, and educational toys for the Highland branch library. The program will teach parents how to ensure that children are prepared to read before they start school by implementing pre-reading skills.

The Highland Library will be having an Open House November 28, 2007, to introduce the program to the community. Early literacy computer demonstrations, informational pamphlets from the library, and First 5 collaborative agencies will be available at the open house.

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